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E. O. 11652 : GDS

TAGS : PINS, ET

SUBJ : TENNECO FIVE

1. VICE MIN FOR AFFAIRS SOLOMON TECLE CALLED ME TO HIS OFFICE THIS MORNING 11:00 A.M. TO DISCUSS THE TENNECO FIVE. HE INFORMED ME GOVGEN HAD RECEIVED LETTER FROM ELF CONTACT AND WAS AWARE I HAD RECEIVED LETTER FROM SAME SOURCE. HE SAID CONTENTS OF LETTER WERE REFERRED TO ADDIS FOR DISCUSSION BY MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND PRIME MINISTER. WHEN I ASKED HE SAID LETTER ONLY DISCUSSED PROCEDURES FOR NEGOTIATION AND NOT A SPECIFIC TIME OR PLACE AND NOT A SPECIFIC IEG REP. HE INDICATED THIS INFORMATION COULD BE PASSED TO AMERICAN EMBASSY AND CANADIAN AMBASSADOR.

2. I INFORMED BURTCHAELL OF CONVERSATION WITH SOLOMON. BURTCHAELL PREFERS THAT ANY INFORMATION PASSED TO CANADIAN AMBASSADOR BE LIMITED. BURTCHAELL DOUBTED TRUSTWORTHINESS OF ELF CONTACT WHICH THROWS A QUESTION OF VALIDITY ON THE THREE LETTERS RECEIVED.

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